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Case Details

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		Organization	MONTE DEL SOL CHARTER SCHOOL

Case Description

Description Applicant had general questions regarding Form 470 and a multi-year contract.

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USAC	<p>Pablo:</p> <p>A multi-year contract is a contract that covers more than one year. For example, a three-year contract is a multi-year contract that would expire at the end of the third year. Because multi-year contracts offer both locked-in pricing and/or guaranteed business over multiple years, service providers can offer more cost effective pricing for the period covered by the contract. Multi-year contracts must be finite; i.e. they must have a defined expiration date.</p> <p>A contract including voluntary extensions is a contract that expires at the end of its original term but that may be voluntarily extended for one or more years pursuant to the provisions in the contract. However, note that the decision to extend a contract with voluntary extensions must occur before the FCC Form 471 is filed for the funding year when the contract would otherwise expire. Contracts with voluntary extensions must be finite (i.e. they must have a defined expiration date), and a defined number of possible extensions. Contracts that renew in perpetuity (known as an evergreen clause) are not eligible.</p> <p>You do not have to file an FCC Form 470 if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are under a multi-year contract that was signed pursuant to a previous FCC Form 470 and that covers your services for FY2018. • You have a contract with voluntary extensions that was signed pursuant to a previous FCC Form 470, that covers your services for FY2018, and you and your service provider agree to exercise an extension before you file your FCC Form 471. • You are eligible to purchase from a master contract signed by an organization such as a state agency, statewide network, or consortium if that contract was signed pursuant to an FCC Form 470 posted by that organization. <p>If you are under a multi-year contract or a contract with voluntary extensions for which a FCC Form 470 was not posted, you must post an FCC Form 470 for FY2018. You can consider your existing contract as a bid response, but you must also evaluate any other bids received. Note that if your existing contract is not the most cost-effective solution with the price of the eligible products and services as the primary factor in your bid evaluation, you will not be able to receive E-rate discounts under your existing contract.</p> <p>If a contract that was signed pursuant to program rules expires before the end of FY2018, you must file a new FCC Form 470 to open a competitive bidding process for any services that would be provided during the part of the funding year not covered by that expiring contract.</p> <p>This information can be found on the Contracts page of the Schools and Libraries website: http://www.usac.org/sl/applicants/step02/contracts.aspx Thank you.</p>	3/8/2018 12:04 PM EST

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